August 4, 2020

The Page County Board of Supervisors met in session on this 4th day of August 2020, with Chuck Morris and Alan Armstrong present. Herzberg was absent. On a motion by Armstrong, the board approved the agenda. Present from the public were Jacob Holmes, Beth Steeve, and Tim Johnson. Attending via zoom were Darin Sunderman, Ryan Matheny, and Sandy Parmenter.

The board discussed during the COVID-19 update that there is an upcoming Back the Blue Night on August 7th. Morris stated he encourages people to attend but to social distance and wear a mask. He stated law enforcement will be wearing masks. Morris stated there is some CARES money that should be allocated to Page County. The mental health region is also being allocated CARES money, and the region is hoping to partner with schools regarding mental health needs, especially in children. Armstrong stated the Workforce Development Board is looking at business training and displaced workers.

King provided a secondary roads update. Blades are out in all districts. Two blades are running shoulders on J64, J52, and M48 south of Coin. The truck tractor had tires put on. The skid steer had issues with the alternator and power issues. The G-27 bridge is moving dirt on the north side. AM Cohron is working on the first EWP site on the east site. King stated he would like to ask for additional funding for one of the projects, site 4. It will cost approximately an additional \$240,000. Morris stated he would like to wait to ensure funding is secured before having the work completed. Morris stated the county has been aggressive already and does not want to spend an additional \$240,000 without securing the funding. The projects came in higher than anticipated, which is why the additional funding is needed. This would be the same matching efforts: 75%, 10%, and 15% county funding. Auditor Wellhausen asked if this would require an amendment. King stated it would, and he will do a little more research regarding the funding and come back to the board next week. Morris would like to get a 30-day DOT extension to secure the funding. P5 is the next site for letting. It is sites 6,7, and 11. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve signing EWP project 5 and the titles sheets of site 6.7, and 11. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the assurance related real property acquisition for EWP project 5. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve Project FM-CO73(138)-55-73 base stabilization and seal work on M44 and J55. The low bid was Manatts for \$1,562,609.80 for about 6 ½ miles. Armstrong, aye, Morris, aye. Motion carried 2 to 0. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the resolution to delegate digital signing authority for FM-CO73(138)-55-73 project. Armstrong stated at 212th Place there is edge rut and water runoff. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to table the contract award for EWP project 4 (PN#L-CO73(EWP19-P4)-73-73.

On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the tax abatement for 1202 S. Center Street in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Morris stated the Board of Supervisors will meet with the Board of Health at 12 pm today to discuss the public health staffing needs. He also stated there is potentially going to be some CARES money. Armstrong stated the board would like to know what the BOH feels they need.

On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the minutes from last week July 28, 2020.

On a motion by Armstrong with no further business, the board moved to recess until 12:00 pm for the meeting with Page County Board of Health

The board moved out of recess at 12:00 pm for the joint meeting with Page County Board of Health. Jess Erdman, Chuck Morris, Alan Armstrong, Ryan Matheny, Heather Babe, Tish Frazier, Kris Grebert, Darin Sunderman, and Chuck Nordyke were present.

Chuck Morris stated he would like the Board of Health to make suggestions regarding staffing issues. Erdman stated she would like Diamond to go from part-time to full-time; however, she realizes down the road this may need to be reduced back down to a part-time position. Morris stated some other public health agencies have reached out to local nurses who have been furloughed and hired them as temporary staff. Erdman stated she would like to get Diamond to full-time. Erdman stated she has to look at the situation through Diamond's eyes, and if she is not moved to full-time she may move on. Morris stated the benefit package is substantial at the county, and Morris does not want to offer it and then take it back. Armstrong stated he would just like to have the best possible solution. On a motion by Armstrong, the board moved to adjourn and will meet again Tuesday, August 11, 2020.

Chuck Morris, Chairman Melissa Wellhausen
Page County Board of Supervisors Page County Auditor